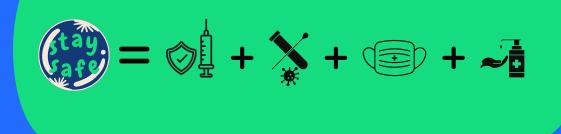
## Housatonic Valley Health District

# COVID-19 RECOMMENDATIONS: COMMUNITY

**December 20, 2022** 





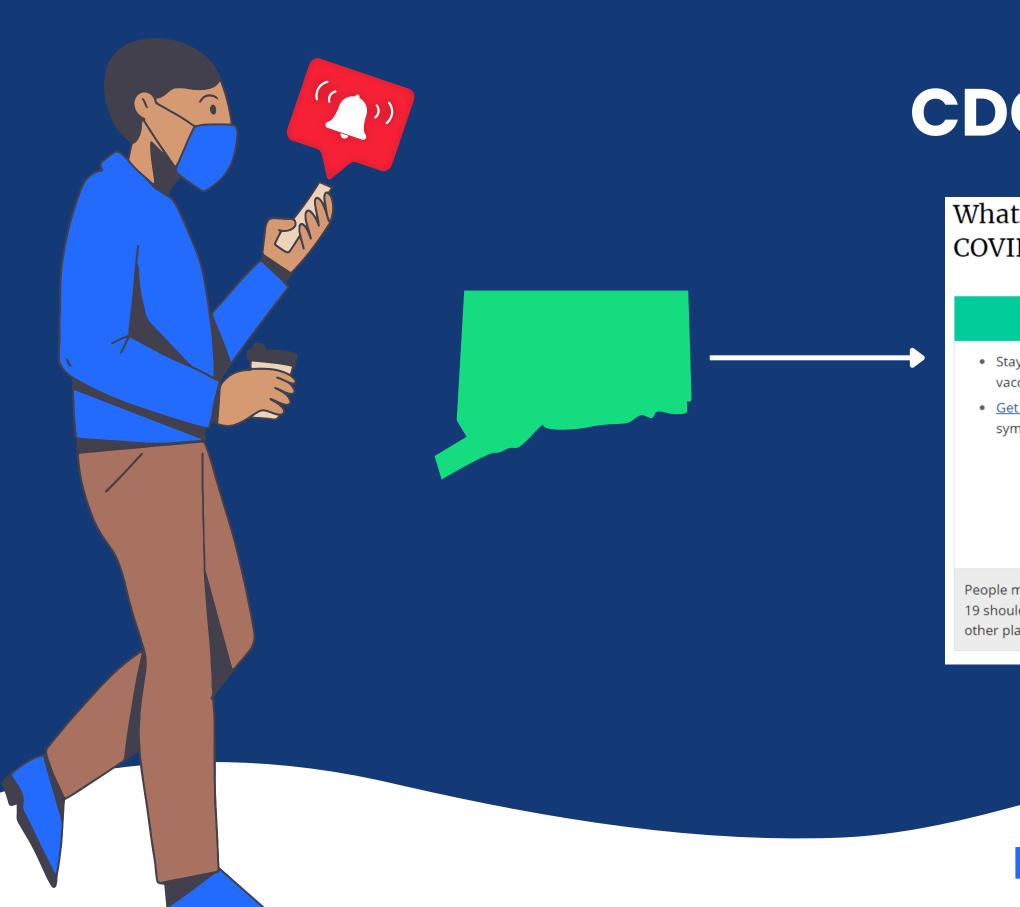




# Prevent the spread of COVID-19 by:

- Staying up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations (primary series & boosters)
- Stay informed. Follow the CDC Community Levels recommendations for your area
- Wearing a well-fitted mask when in crowded groups
- Spend time outside when socializing with people who you don't live with
- Having good ventilation when indoors
- Practicing proper hygiene
- Staying home if you are not feeling well and get tested if you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms

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# Stay informed. CDC Community Levels

What Prevention Steps Should You Take Based on Your COVID-19 Community Level?

Low	Medium	High		
<ul> <li>Stay <u>up to date</u> with COVID-19 vaccines</li> <li><u>Get tested</u> if you have symptoms</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions</li> <li>Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines</li> <li>Get tested if you have symptoms</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wear a mask indoors in public</li> <li>Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines</li> <li>Get tested if you have symptoms</li> <li>Additional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness</li> </ul>		
People may choose to mask at any time. People with <u>symptoms</u> , <u>a positive test</u> , <u>or exposure</u> to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask. Masks are recommended in indoor public transportation settings and may be required in other places by local or state authorities.				

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## COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility

	Pfizer	Moderna	Johnson & Johnson
Ages 18+	Primary Series:  • 2 doses; 3-8 weeks apart  Booster:  • 1 Bivalent booster; 2 months after the final dose in the primary series	Primary Series:  • 2 doses; 4-8 weeks apart  Booster:  • 1 Bivalent booster; 2 months after the final dose in the primary series	<ul> <li>Primary Series: <ul> <li>1 dose</li> </ul> </li> <li>Booster: <ul> <li>1 booster; 2 months after the final dose in the primary series</li> <li>Anyone who received J&amp;J may receive a 2nd dose of Pfizer or Moderna at least 4 months after their 1st booster</li> <li>Ages 50+ can choose to receive a 2nd booster</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Ages 12 - 17 years	Primary Series:  • 2 doses; 3-8 weeks apart  Booster:  • 1 Bivalent booster; 2 months after the final dose in the primary series	Primary Series: (ages 6 mo 5 yrs)  • 2 doses  • 4 - 8 weeks apart  Booster:  • Not yet authorized	N/A
Ages 5 – 11 years	Primary Series:  • 2 doses; 3 - 8 weeks apart  Booster:  • 1 Monovalent booster; 5 months after the final dose in the primary series	Primary Series: (ages 6 mo 5 yrs)  • 2 doses  • 4 - 8 weeks apart  Booster:  • Not yet authorized	N/A
Ages 6 months - 5 years	Primary Series: (ages 6 mo 4 yrs)  • 2 doses  • 3-8 weeks apart between 1st & 2nd dose  • At least 8 weeks between 2nd & 3rd dose  Booster:  • 1 Bivalent booster; 8 weeks after second monovalent primary series dose.	Primary Series: (ages 6 mo 5 yrs)  • 2 doses  • 4 - 8 weeks apart  Booster:  • 1 Bivalent booster; 2 months after the final dose in the primary series	N/A

#### **Definitions:**

- Primary series = 2 3 doses of Pfizer & Moderna; 1 dose of J&J
- Booster = additional dose
- Up to date = you have received all doses in the primary series and booster when eligible.
- Fully vaccinated = 2 weeks after final dose in primary series
- Monovalent = only 1 antigen in a vaccine
- Bivalent = a vaccine that works by stimulating an immune response against 2 different antigens (i.e. omicron BA.4 and BA.5

### Schedule an appt:



https://hvhd.us/covid-19/vaccinations/



Updated 12/15/22; Source: <u>CDC Stay Up to Date with Your COVID-19 Vaccines</u>

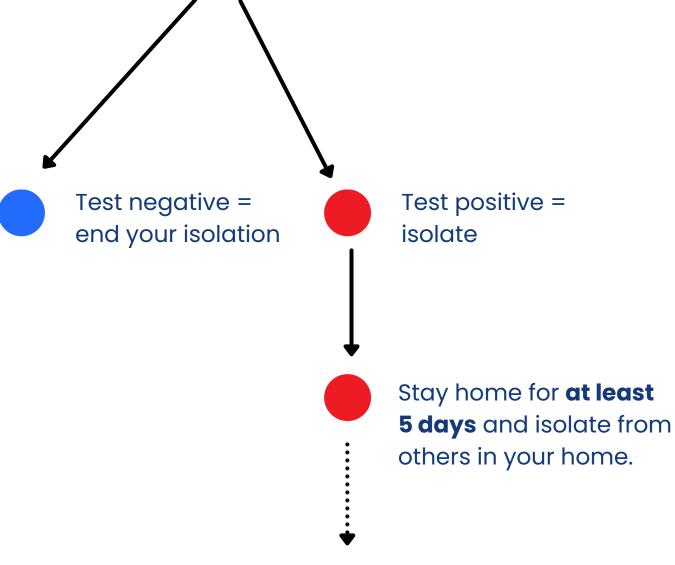
## COVID-19 Exposure Recommendations





## Isolation: When to Isolate & When to End Isolation

### WHEN TO ISOLATE:



- Monitor your symptoms
- Wear a high-quality mask if you are around others
- Do not go anywhere unmasked
- Do not travel

### WHEN TO END ISOLATATION:



Symptoms = end isolation after day 5

#### <u>IF</u>

- Fever-free for 24
   hours (without using
   fever-reducing
   medication)
- Symptoms are improving

Continue isolating = still have a fever/other symptoms have not improved



Wear a mask around others through **day 10** 

OR



With <u>two</u> sequential negative tests <u>48</u> <u>hours apart</u>, you may remove your mask sooner than day 10.

\*If your antigen test results are positive, continue wearing a mask and wait at least 48 hours before taking another test. Continue taking antigen tests at least 48 hours apart until you have two sequential negative results.

## Well-Fitting Masks:



- It covers your nose, mouth, and fits under your chin.
- It is not loose and is fits securely to the head with ties, bands, or ear loops.

- It is breathable.
- Does not allow air to escape from edges



Leave COVID-19 behind.
Get Vaccinated.
Get Tested.
Stay Informed.

Visit www.hvhd.us to schedule a vaccination and testing appointment.













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